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I A M A I A L V Member Spotlight
Sylvia Kim, AIA



ON THE COVER

The AIA Las Vegas Chapter is fortunate to have a membership of talented architects, associates and allied members. These are members whose personal commitment to elevating the profession and to improving their communities make them fine examples of what architecture is all about. This year, we take the opportunity to recognize one exceptional member each month. In this way we hope to acknowledge the contributions they are making to Chapter and the profession and to inform and inspire others through their example.

IAMAIA LV SPOTLIGHT SYLVIA KIM, AIA

I AM A MEMBER OF AIA BECAUSE..... for as much as we can do as individual architects to lead and serve our profession, our clients and community, we can do that much more together. My first exposure to the AIA was in NY and as a young intern, it was empowering to see architects of firms large and small, at various points in their careers, come together to share ideas and their concerns. Being a member of the AIA expands our ability to further the profession; grow new young designers and architects; and impact our communities, not just locally, but globally.

Sylvia Kim, AIA, LEED AP is Principal of JMA Architecture Studios. A native of New York City and graduate of Pratt Institute, Sylvia came to Las Vegas in 1999 and joined JMA in 2005. She has over 20 years of experience in providing architecture to the community and is a Registered Architect in Nevada and twelve additional states. JMA Architecture Studios serves the region as a nationally recognized design firm specializing in Public, Commercial, Hospitality and Healthcare facilities. As Principal, Sylvia provides overall leadership and delivery of major projects within the four studios. She is an active member of American Institute of Architects, US Green Building Council and NAIOP Southern Nevada Chapter.

1. What is the most important thing you've learned? It's okay to make a mistake. Although it is never fun when it happens, the fear of getting something wrong should never hold us back from being bold and decisive, dampen our enthusiasm, or make us second guess our convictions. The lessons learned from mistakes I have made are the ones that have helped me grow the most over the years, both personally and professionally.

2. What is your favorite piece of architecture? Why? This is a difficult question to answer, because my answer has changed over the years and I suspect will continue to change. However if I had to pick just one, I would pick the Chrysler Building in New York. The Art Deco spire has been an iconic element of the NYC's skyline for years and the craft in the building is something that I hope is not completely lost today.

3. Where will you be in 20 years? In twenty years, continue practicing architecture, traveling, learning and maybe teaching. Maybe.

4. What person, living or dead, would you most like to have dinner with? My mother. She was a woman of quiet strength, vocal loyalty and private generosity. She had an insatiable thirst to learn and try new things. There was much I learned from her, but I have so much more to learn from her.

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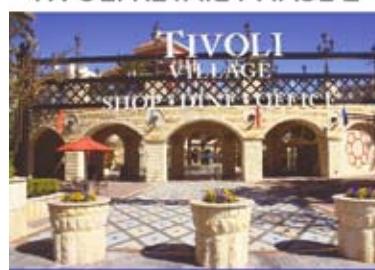
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AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MARK RYAN, AIA, ESQ.

Psst! Hey, buddy, have I got a deal for you. As the President of this great organization you have here, I am willing (for a limited time only) to make you an incredible offer! I am going to offer you my coveted position here with AIA Las Vegas. Well, actually I am willing to offer up all of the positions on the board, either this year or next.

Though we have a number of terrific individuals serving on the board to represent the members, fresh perspectives and new energy are imperative to allow our organization to grow, adapt, and reach its potential. And, there are several positions opening on the board, one of which is certain to be a match for your skills.

Nominations for service on the 2015 Board of Directors are now being taken and this is one of the most important contributions a member can make. AIA Las Vegas has a "working" Board that has the responsibility for the financial health of the Chapter as well as actively working on behalf of our members to advance the profession and guide the future of the chapter.

Nominations are being accepted for the following positions on the board:

- President-elect (Nominee must have served at least one years on the Board of Directors)
- Secretary
- One Director position
- Emerging Professionals Director, and
- Allied Member Director

Each of these positions is for two years of service.

Architects, perhaps more than any other profession, are best equipped to lead their communities. AIA members are afforded unlimited opportunities through their AIA affiliation to participate as leaders, and we are proud to have leaders here in the Valley serving at the local, State, Regional, and even National levels. If you are committed to elevating the profession, expanding and improving the Chapter and building a more sustainable and livable community Your Chapter needs you. In accordance with our strategic plan the Chapter is committed to taking a more active and visible role in our community's future. There is great work to be done and we must rely on our greatest resource – AIA Members – to lead the way.

If you or someone you know would like to be nominated for one of these positions, please contact me at mark@ryanpatents.com or Randy Lavigne at rlavigne@aianevada.org

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2014 AIA Las Vegas Unbuilt Design Awards



The AIA Las Vegas Unbuilt Design Awards program is especially designed to celebrate imagination, ingenuity, resourcefulness and vision where the projects are not required to conform to the realities of constructed work. The program consists of three categories

Theoretical Projects – work that is done as an exercise in design or simply for the pleasure of creating.
Academic Projects – work that is done as a part of a studio or for academic credit in a class program.
Unbuilt Projects – this is work that has been commissioned but not built and may never be built.

This year's submittals were juried by three architect members of AIA Wyoming:
Dan Stalker, AIA – Dan Stalker Architect – Sheridan, WY.
Kenneth Tobin, AIA, Tobin & Associates - Cheyenne, WY.
Randy Hein, AIA, Hein / Bond - Casper, WY.



HONOR AWARD

Pine Creek Canyon
Trailhead Pavilion
Logan Ziegler
Academic Category

HONOR AWARD

LA Loft

Rhett R Noseck, Assoc AIA
Theoretical Category



HONOR AWARD

Safe Nest
Carpenter Sellers Del Gatto Architects
Unbuilt Category

HONOR AWARD

Kumquat House

Plus One Designs' Construction
Unbuilt Category



HONOR AWARD

Nevada Blind Childrens Foundation
Carpenter Sellers Del Gatto Architects
Unbuilt Category

HONOR AWARD

The Administration Office and Visitor
Contact Station at the Parahnagat
Wildlife Refuge in Alamo, Nevada

Carpenter Sellers Del Gatto Architects
Unbuilt Category



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2014 AIA Las Vegas Unbuilt Design Awards

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MERIT AWARDS

Unbuilt Category

- Sinnott Learning Center
HMC Architects
- Performing Arts Theatre, China
Gensler
- CTX Auto Mall Phase 2
Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects
- EVC Fitness Center
HMC Architects
- EVC Math Science & Social Science Building
HMC Architects
- Casa Sombra
Hoogland Architecture, Ltd.
- Urban Interventions
assemblage Studio

** Due to the AIA Las Vegas Website redesign, there will be a short delay until all the award winners are posted to the AIA Las Vegas Homepage. Thank you for your patience.

CITATION AWARDS

Academic Category

- LIVE +WORK Boutique Hotel

Travis Allen, Associate AIA

Theoretical Category

- Museum of Modern Art

Downtown Design Center, Esther

Garcia and Ken McCown, Assoc. AIA

- Las Vegas Civic Park & Power Strip

Downtown Design Center, Esther Garcia,
Phil Zawarus and Ken McCown,
Assoc. AIA

- The Knothole

Rhett R. Noseck, Assoc. AIA

Unbuilt Category

- Tristique

assemblage Studio

- The MAC (Moana Aquatic Center)

MBA Architecture & Interior Design

- Local 88 Expansion

George M. Rogers, AIA

- The Modern

assemblage Studio

- Yichang New District Master Plan

Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects

2014 AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards

This very important program recognizes and rewards young design talent from the drafting and art classes of Clark County High Schools. At the beginning of the Fall semester each year, a "design challenge" is issued to the students in area high schools. They work on their projects under the supervision of their instructors and AIA Advisors to each school. In the Spring, their work is juried, and the best work for each school is recognized and rewarded at the "AIA LV High School Design Awards" program.



Christian Orme accepts his Best of School Award from AIA President, Mark Ryan, AIA while, Richard Knoeppel, teacher from Advanced Technologies Academy, accepts on behalf of Trexi Joyce Dunnam.



Steve Oranchak and Rose Coe, teachers from Northwest Career & Technical Academy, accept a Best of School Award on behalf of Hai Le.



David Norman accepts his Best of School Award with Sabrina Woodruff, his teacher from Las Vegas High School .

Richard Knoeppel, teacher from Advanced Technologies Academy, accepts The Col. Elton Dale Scheideman, AIA Masterplan Award on behalf of his students



Lukas Sullivan from Advanced Technologies Academy was given an Honorable Mention for his work.



David Norman from Las Vegas High School was given a Merit Award for his work.



Christian Orme from Advanced Technologies Academy was given an Honor Award for his work.

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MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING IT'S SPRING..... GET ON THE BUS.....AND GET OUT OF TOWN!

AIA Las Vegas is taking a tour of the Corn Creek National Wildlife Refuge and we want you to attend. Our May Member Meeting will be held at the award-winning Desert Wildlife Refuge at Corn Creek and it is **hosted by SHarchitecture and the consultants who worked on the project - Burke Construction Group, Dwyer Engineering, Mendenhall Smith, JBA Consulting Engineers, Southwick Landscape Architects and Tippetts Design Experience**. Transportation out to the refuge will be provided via bus....so reserve a seat for yourself and a friend, and come take a tour of the center and learn about the planning and design of this federal project. Only 50 seats on the bus so RSVP early, Otherwise, you'll have to drive out by yourself Refreshments and fun on the bus. Tour and presentation at the Refuge. Don't miss out on this great AIA event.



Wednesday, May 21, 2014 Bus Leaves 5th Street School at 3:30PM, Returns at 8:00PM.

No charge for AIA Members..... \$30.00 for non-members and guestsMUST RSVP TO ATTEND. NO WALK-INS.

[**Click here to RSVP for the May Meeting**](#)

JUNE MEMBER MEETING TOUR THE LINQ AND RIDE THE HIGH ROLLER!

THURSDAY (not Wednesday), JUNE 19TH (Note New Date for this Event!) 6:00pm

The June Member Meeting will be a special treat for AIA members and their friends and associates providing a thrilling ride on the 550-foot-tall High Roller -- the world's largest observation wheel...and exploration of The LINQ -- Las Vegas' most exciting shopping, dining, and entertainment district. This special meeting will be held in the Wheel House at The LINQ on Thursday, June 19th at 6:00PM. We'll begin with an elegant reception, followed by a special presentation by Jon Gray, Vice President and General Manager of The LINQ and Jason Krolicki, S.E. Associate Principal, Arup Structural Engineering, who will provide the exciting details of how the project was envisioned, designed and constructed. Learn all the facts and get your questions answered, tour the new LINQ area before taking a ride on the High Roller.

Space is limited so make your RSVP right now. \$20.00 fee includes the reception, presentation, tour and ride on the High Roller.

[**Click here to RSVP!**](#)

Parking is available directly behind the LINQ/High Roller area. Turn onto Ling Way from Flamingo, or valet parking is available at the High Roller.

This special meeting is being sponsored by Arup Structural Engineering, The Hettema Group, and Klai Juba Wald Architects.



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STEPPING THRU ACCESSIBILITY – Seminar Series

Featured Speaker - **Janis Kent, AIA CASp**

Ms. Kent's presentations will be focused on the ADA and Accessibility requirements in Nevada and California. Janis Kent, is a Certified Access Specialist (CASp), and a licensed California Architect with over 30 years of experience. She is the Founding President of the Certified Access Specialist Institute (CASI) which has been developed to provide a focal point on accessibility information.

8:00AM – Noon -Stepping Thru Existing Buildings

An overview of Accessibility considerations for existing buildings whether or not alterations or construction is planned. This includes a review of requirements per 2010 ADA Standards for Barrier Removal for Places of Public Accommodation (Commercial Facilities) as well as Program Accommodation for Public Entities (State & Local Government).

1:00PM – 3:00PM -Stepping Thru Accessible Businesses

An overview of 'readily achievable barrier removal' that needs to be implemented even if no construction has been done will be discussed. Review the differences between today's requirements for building codes and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Review the common items of non-compliance that open up risk, and items the business or building owner needs to deal with from an ongoing facility management viewpoint will be discussed.

3:00PM – 5:00PM - Stepping Thru Accessible Environments As We Age

A general overview of what elements in our environment whether at work, play or home that can be included now for us to easily age in place later. Learn about different design considerations whether color, light or accessibility parameters that can be addressed within our built environment to not only allow us to age in place but to also allow others to visit us whether they have issues concerning accessibility or aging.

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Registration & Coffee – 7:00AM to 8:00AM

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Afternoon session begins promptly at 1:00PM

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The Main Street Gang is still going strong but our leader is still The Dream Team! Team Alpha and the Starchitects are slowing down a bit but, Epic Team Name came alive this month!! We welcome the appearance of Team 4 on the Board!!

Below are the point standings so far...

• The Dream Team with Mentor Bill Snyder, FAIA	30
• Starchitects with Mentor Gary Guy Wilson, AIA	17
• Team Alpha with Mentor Ed Vance, FAIA	19
• Team 2 with Mentor Joyce Orrias, AIA	0
• Team Main Street Gang with Mentor Tom Schoeman, AIA	24
• Team 4 with Mentor John Sawdon, AIA	1
• Team SPECTRUM with Mentor Glenn Nowak, AIA	7
• Team Akamai Apprentices with Mentor Danielle Walliser, AIA	11
• Epic Team Name with Mentor Chris Fenton, AIA	8
• Mentorminds with Mentor Sylvia Kim, AIA	5



The Main Street Gang



Mentoring Team 4

It's not too late to get in on the action. All you have to do put your team together! Register your team with Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA at rlavigne@aianevada.org OR Glenn Nowak, AIA at 702-895-1076 or glenn.nowak@unlv.edu And then..... start getting together Sharing ideas, experiences and knowledge with each other.... By attending AIA programs or events..... and documenting it by posting your team's activities on EPYAF and AIA LV Facebook pages.

Teams can continue to earn points from now thru December 1st. The winning team will be announced at this year's Holiday Celebration on Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2014.

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For those who do not RSVP online as required, there will be a charge of \$40.00 payable at the door.

If you are interested in providing or hosting an AIA Las Vegas Continuing Education Lunch [click HERE for more information](#)

2014 Continuing Education Opportunities are as follows:

Thursday, May 22nd - NSBAIDRD Seminar
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Thursday, June 12th - Acoustics for Architects: Myths, Misconceptions and Design Considerations
Hosted by Criterion Acoustics
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Thursday, September 11th - OPEN

Thursday, September 25th - OPEN

Wednesday, October 22nd - Product Show CE Seminars

Thursday, November 13th - OPEN

Thursday, December 11th - OPEN

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In Memorium

JESS PEREZ, ARCHITECT

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It is with much sadness that we report the passing of Jess Perez, on Saturday, April 19th, from complications as a result of diverticulitis.

Jess joined the American Institute of Architects in California in 1976 and became a member of the AIA Las Vegas chapter in

1992. His firm JPA Architects was established in Henderson, Nevada in 1995 and provided home design and planning services in addition to architectural services for many of the Clark County School District projects. Jess was a well loved and respected member of the architectural community and will be missed by the many friends and associates who had the pleasure of knowing and working with him.

A memorial service will be held at the American Legion Post 40, located on Van Wagenen in Henderson from 12:00PM to 3:00PM on Thursday, May 8th, 2014. In lieu of flowers, donations are being made to Laurie Perez through the Wells Fargo Bank, at Horizon Ridge/Horizon Drive in Henderson, Nevada, acct# 9717764501.

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**Lee & Sakahara Architects, Inc.
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Gary E. Congdon, AIA
to President of
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Mr. Congdon joined Lee & Sakahara Architects in 1996 as Vice President to open the firm's Las Vegas office and was promoted to Sr. Vice President / Principal in 1999. A graduate of Georgia Tech, Mr. Congdon is LEED certified and a member of NAIOP, The American Institute of Architects, and a licensed architect in the states of Nevada, California, Arizona and Utah. As the President of Leesak, he will be responsible for business development, strategic planning and other corporate affairs. He will continue to promote and cultivate the relationship with federal government agencies while overseeing the operations of Leesak's Las Vegas office.

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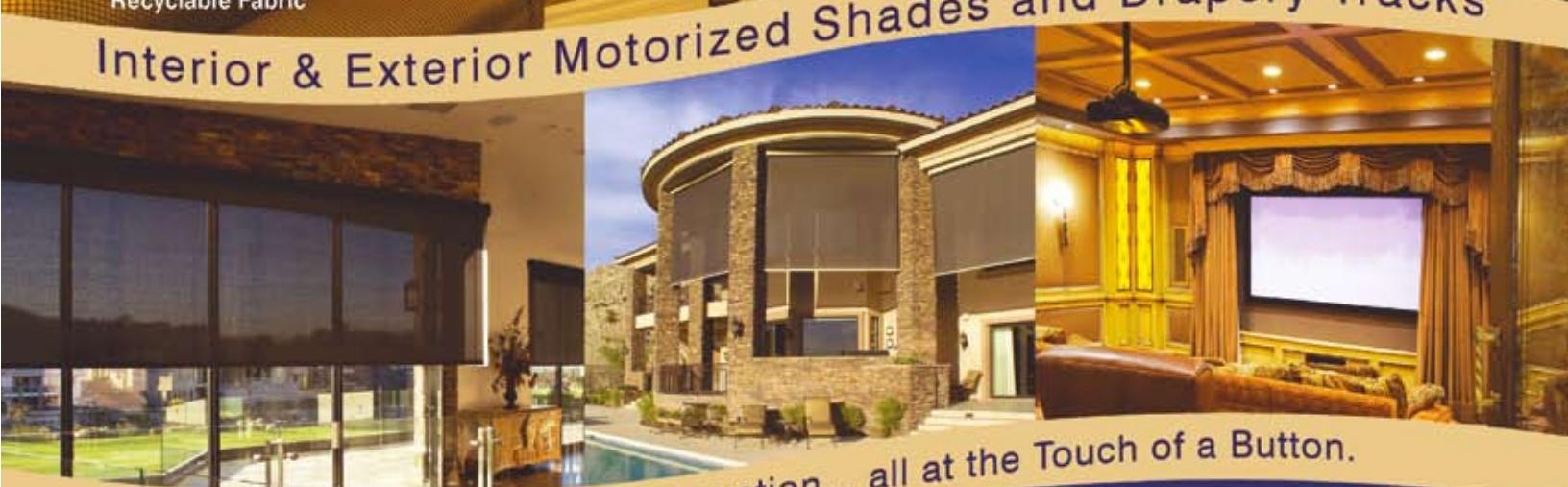
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TOOLS AND RESOURCES

By Tagish, an AIA Member

The business of architecture is done with resources and tools. It has probably always been that way but now they are both mostly electronic. Gone are the days when the sign of a truly modern firm was a large library of print resources and a legion of technical graphics personnel (draft-persons) to document design ideas. Does anyone remember Sweet's catalogues?

The best part of printed product media was the representatives, who made the rounds of offices with product samples, little prizes for meeting with them, and even sales lunches. Product manufacturers soon realized that since most office staffs were male it was effective to hire gorgeous women as representatives. The staff attendance was dramatically better. Good lunches, snacks and prizes helped but sex appeal was best. However, it did not always warm the heart of the firm's Principal to see eight of his staff clustered in the conference room for an hour with a sales rep.

Drafting and sketching were essential skills. They were truly artistic abilities of the hand. Some were better than others but the ability to hand letter the Encyclopedia Britannica in a couple of hours was a valuable asset for any office. Now they just have to be able to type or copy and paste. Style is a matter of using the office standard fonts. This is not all bad and the legibility of construction documents has increased. Of course errors and conflicting information can easily be read too. Error check function can only correct mis-spellings.

Drafting plans and details by hand is an ancient tradition. The Egyptians used papyrus and ink. So did Michelangelo and his contemporaries. It is remarkable that it only changed around 1980 and took ten years or so to become common for CAD created documents. Now hand drafting is a lost art. Gone too are electric erasers, plastic templates, pencil pointers, sepia paste-in copies (can you remember sepias?), and standard office drawing sheets. Original drawings were truly original and had to be carefully filed and preserved. There is no longer any need for drawers of drawings. Coffee spills and ink blots on drawings are no longer a problem - except for coffee spills on a keyboard.

We now have electronic files for everything but there are a new set of problems that come with that as we all know. Filing and file retrieval can be problematic. Corrupted files and server failures are the new plagues that sometimes occur. Ever have a file deleted in error or, just as bad, disappear into the ether? Detail cut and paste is very productive but can give new life to errors in the original or cause conflicts in new project applications. Server failures can paralyze entire offices even more than hot sales reps. did.

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THE 2014 AIA NEVADA EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN & DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS



NEVADA DESIGN AWARDS

The AIA Las Vegas and AIA Northern Nevada Chapters alternate annually in hosting and managing the AIA Nevada Excellence In Design and Distinguished Service Awards Programs. This year the awards are being managed and hosted by the AIA Northern Nevada Chapter. All information regarding these programs is available through AIA Northern Nevada office at 775-348-7777 or aiann@aiann.org.

The awards reception and presentation ceremony will be held as a part of the "DICE" conference on September 19th, at the Museum of Art in Reno, Nevada.

Additional information will be provided on the www.aiann.org, www.aialasvegas.org and www.aianevada.org websites as it is made available.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS AIA NEVADA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

The 2014 AIA Nevada Distinguished Service Awards honors the achievements of exceptional AIA members and firms through this annual awards program. It is designed to recognize the significant contributions made to the profession of architecture, and to the larger community through the various levels of AIA membership. Nominations are now being taken in the following categories:

The AIA Nevada Silver Medal

The AIA Nevada Architecture Firm Award

The AIA Nevada Service Award

The AIA Nevada Young Architect Award

The AIA Nevada Associate Member Award

The AIA Nevada Allied Member Award

[Click here for information and criteria for each award category](#)

Click here for Information on making a nomination and the Nomination Form

Nominations must be made in writing (letter or email) and directed to AIA Nevada Honors and Awards Committee, c/o AIA Northern Nevada, 3495 Lakeside Drive, PMB15, Reno NV, 89502 or to peterg@collaborativedesignstudio.com.

Timeline for the 2014 AIA Nevada Distinguished Service Awards:

Nomination Forms and Intent to participate forms due

July 16, 2014

Submittal Discs Due

August 7, 2014

Distinguished Service Jury

August 11-15, 2014

Award recipients notified

August 18, 2014

AIA Nevada Distinguished Service Awards Gala

September 19, 2014 (Reno, NV)

CALL FOR ENTRIES AIA NEVADA EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN

The AIA Nevada Excellence In Design Awards Program recognizes achievements for a broad range of architectural activity to elevate the general quality of architecture practice, establish a standard of excellence against which all architects can measure performance and inform the public of the breadth and value of architecture practice. AIA Nevada advocates that quality architecture is sustainable architecture. All submittals must include sustainable design principles. To achieve these goals the program calls for entries in the following categories:

Architecture

Interior Architecture

Regional and Urban Design

Collaborative Achievement

[Click here for information, entry forms and submittal criteria for each submittal category.](#)

Timeline for the 2014 AIA Nevada Excellence in Design Awards Program

Call for Entries

May 1 – July 31, 2014

Entry Forms and Fees Due

July 31, 2014

Design Award Submittals Due

August 14, 2014

LATE Submittals Due

August 18, 2014 (additional fee)

Design Awards Jury

August 21-25, 2014

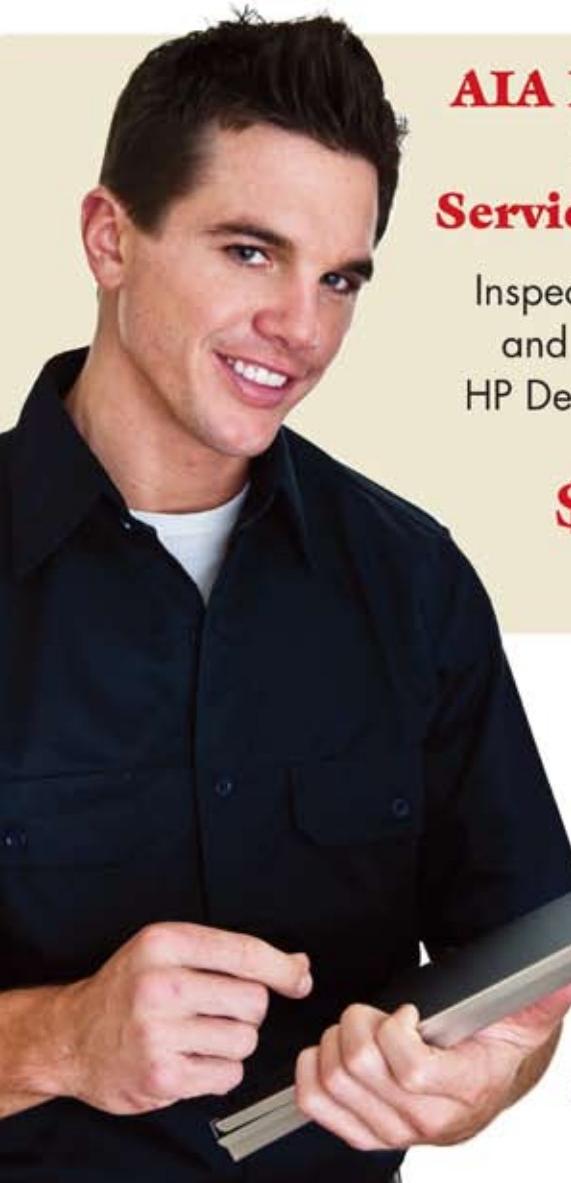
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URBAN SKETCHERS MAY

This month, our Urban Sketchers will be getting together for our monthly sketch crawl on Saturday, May 10th, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We will be meeting at the Neon Boneyard. (770 N. Las Vegas Blvd., LV, NV. 89101).

Entry fee will be \$10.00 per person.

You should bring your own sketch supplies, some water and your water colors (if you want to use them). Don't forget some water (to drink) and something to sit on (you'll be glad you did) and sunscreen (sun can still get you when it's cooler outside).

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MAY

- 15 AIA Nevada Board Meeting
20 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
21 AIA Las Vegas Membership Meeting
22 AIA Las Vegas CE Luncheon

JUNE

- 9 AIA LV 41st Annual Golf Tournament
12 AIA Las Vegas CE Luncheon
17 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
19 AIA Nevada Board Meeting
and
AIA Las Vegas Membership Meeting
26 - 28 AIA National Convention
Chicago, IL.

JULY

- 15 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
18 NV Service Nominations Due
17 AIA Nevada Board Meeting
31 NV Design Awards Forms & Fees Due